

Oaks Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Oaks Notes



Acorns on the Ground

Thankfulness

As the month of November is upon us we begin to turn our thoughts towards Thanksgiving. Of course we will observe Thanksgiving day on November 27 but Thanksgiving should not be just a one day one meal deal. We should be thankful everyday of the year 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

God has blessed us so abundantly with so many great and wonderful gifts that we must constantly be thankful. The words "thank you" are two of the earliest words we learn to say as children. We must continue this practice our entire lives. It is nice to say thank you to one another and it is even better when we say thank you to God. God is the source of all our blessings.

On November 23 we have the opportunity to join with our friends and neighbors at our community Thanksgiving Service. The service will be held at St Stephens United Methodist church at 7:00 p.m. It is truly great when we come together as God's people to express our heartfelt thanks. I appreciate the words of the third verse of the hymn "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come".

"These to thee, our God, we owe,
source whence all our blessings flow;
and for these our souls shall raise grateful
vows and solemn praise. Come,
then, thankful people, come, raise the
song of harvest home; come to God's
own temple, come, raise the song of
harvest home.

I pray that we will be truly thankful on Thanksgiving day and everyday of our lives. God has truly blessed us and we need to say thank you.

Reverend Randy Burke



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OAKS CHRISTIAN CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER 2008
















November Birthdays

Pat McCoy	2
Genevieve Harvey	3
Albert Green	8
Rick Croix	9
Charles Slocum	12
Kathy Sanders	13
Jacob Salina	15
Louis Pitts	17
Nancy Green	18
Rod King	19
Jessica Luna	20
Susan Hirt Dyes	22
Carolyn Anderson	23
Marion Dixon, Bill Odena	25
Terry Hudson, Michael Simons	26
Don Whitley	27
Amber Leissner, Lance Leissner	30

If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please let the Church Office know.

And November Anniversaries

Joe and Jimmie Saldivar	5
Al and Charlotte Leissner	7
Chris and Kathy King	8
Keith and Sherri Murray	16
Shannon and Kondi Nobles	21
Jose Louis and Jennifer Saldivar	22
Bill and Verna Odena	27

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		Remember to Vote November 4				1
 2	3	 4	 5	6	7	8
Bread Sunday Executive Mtg. Continental Assembly 		CWF Blankets 	Praise Ringer Choir Rehearsal 			
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Board Mtg. Scrap booking - Crafting 		CWF Love Meals Board Mtg. 	Praise Ringer Choir Rehearsal. 			
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Congregational Meeting		General Meeting 	Praise Ringer Choir Rehearsal. 			
Thanksgiving Pot Luck 23rd		24	25	26	27	29
Scrap booking - Crafting 		CWF No Meeting	Praise Ringer Choir Rehearsal. 	THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY Office closed.		

If you have something for the calendar, please let the Church Office know.

Sunday School and Worship services

Sunday School and morning worship will take place as usual every Sunday in November. Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m. and Sunday morning worship at 10:45 a.m.

A Note from Verna Lamb

Sunday, November 9th and 23rd will have a "Scrap booking/Craft Day" in Kirchner Hall. It will be after lunch (around 2 pm) and is open to ALL! Please join us for some fun and fellowship.

Church Office

The Church Office is open Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. If you have a pastoral emergency call the pastor's cell number.



Pastor Randy Burke's Phone #'s
832.729.1598 - Cell
713.983.0717 - Home



Smile!
Jesus Loves
You!

Victory Dinner - October 26



Photos, Announcements, Church Attendance and Treasurer Report

2nd Apple Pie Night - October 21



Peeling and coring apples...



Assembling with care...



All you add is love!



Delicious!

Christian Women's Fellowship News - Barb Scantlin



Our annual Christmas Party will be at the White Flamingo Restaurant at 6:30 p.m. The address of the restaurant is 24307 Aldine Westfield Road, Spring Texas 77373. Reservations are a must so tell Barb Scantlin you are coming so you will be counted. Those that have participated in the secret pal ministry will need to bring their Christmas gift and divulge your identity to your secret pal. Carpooling will be available at the church. If you need a ride, please let Barb know too, so we can get enough drivers. Reserve now!!!

Veteran's Day Celebration - Katie Spencer

I want to remind you that on November 9, 2008 we will be celebrating Veteran's Day. We will have a luncheon after church and all Veteran's of our church are asked to please bring pictures, scrapbooks artifacts or whatever you feel like bringing. Please let me know if you are bringing something so I will know how many tables to put up. We of course would like you to invite your families to share in your celebration. Please call 832.767.4481 to let me know.

September Church Attendance

Attendance for the Month of August 2008	Sunday School	Church Attendance
September 7	28	81
September 14	Ike - 0	Ike - 0
September 21	0	56
September 28	26	80
TOTALS	54	217

From the Treasurer - Dorene Drake

Operating Account	July	August	September
Deposits	\$8,865.59	\$10,374.74	\$13,068.07
Disbursements	-\$13,614.05	-\$12,683.00	-\$12,560.83
Difference	-\$4,748.46	-\$2,308.26	\$507.24

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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
FOR MANNA'S
THRIFT SHOP**

**For more information
Contact Marie at
(713) 686-6440
Please note: Web site
is down.**

Board Happenings - Bob Scantlin, Board Chair

There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday, November 16th immediately following services to approve the budget and the slate of officers for 2009. Please plan on attending this very important meeting in the life of Oaks.

We will have a Board meeting on Tuesday, November 11th at 7:00 p.m. in the Carpe Diem classroom.

There will be an executive board meeting on Sunday, November 2nd immediately following services in the Carpe Diem classroom.